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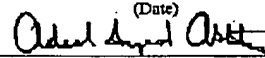
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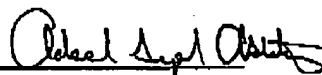
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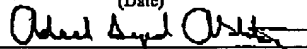
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby confirm a previous request for an Oral Hearing in this Appeal,
pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.194. The previous request for an Oral Hearing under 37 C.F.R. §1.194
was contained in both Applicants' Reply Brief and the accompanying transmittal, i.e. a separate
paper, filed on May 23, 2003. This prior request was accompanied by the fee set forth in 37
C.F.R. § 1.17(d). Furthermore, the enclosed Board Notice evidences that this fee has been paid.
Accordingly, no fee is due for this Request.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Ex parte PIERRE C. FAZAN, VIJU K. MATHEWS
and NANSENG JENG

Application 09/037,945

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This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on September 15, 2003. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

A fee for an Oral Hearing was charged on July 9, 2003. In a review of the file, the Oral Hearing Notice was not found.

Accordingly, it is

Application 09/037,945

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner for either providing a copy of the Oral Hearing Notice or removal of such charge, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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